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E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJECT: ARMS FOR SOMALIA

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1. DURING CALL ON FON MIN UNDERSECRETARY THUNAYYAN ON JULY 21, DCM DELIVERED MESSAGE ON ARMS FOR SOMALIA CONTAINED REFTEL. THUNAYYAN EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR PRESIDENT'S DECISION AND ASKED WHETHER WE WOULD SELL ARMS DIRECTLY OR THROUGH OTHER EUROPEAN COUNTRIES. DCM REPLIED THAT MODALITIES HAD NOT YET BEEN WORKED OUT BUT THAT WE WOULD PROBABLY EITHER SELL DIRECTLY OR IN COORDINATION WITH OTHER WESTERN GOVERNMENTS.

2. THUNAYYAN SAID THT SOMALIA VICE PRESIDENT HAD JUST BEEN IN SAUDI ARABIA AND, IN FACT, WAS LEAVING FROM JIDDA AIRPORT THAT DAY. THUNAYYAN CONFIRMED THAT SAG HAD AGREED TO PROVIDE FUNDING FOR SOMALI ARMS PURCHASES.

3. DCM ASKED IF RUSSIANS WERE THREATENING TO CUT OFF OIL DELIVERIES TO SOMALIA. THUNAYYAN REPLIED THAT RUSSIANS HAD
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REDUCED THE VOLUME OF OIL DELIVERIES AND WERE THREATENING TO CUT OFF THE OIL SUPPLIES COMPLETELY. HE SAID THAT SAG HAD MADE ARRANGEMENTS TO PROVIDE SOMALIA WITH ALTERNATIVE OIL SUPPLIES -- NOT DIRECTLY BUT THROUGH OTHER COUNTRIES, SUCH AS THE SUDAN.

4. THUNAYYAN EMPHASIZED THE NECESSITY OF PROMPT ACTION

IN IMPLEMENTING THE PRESIDENT'S DECISION BECAUSE EVENTS
IN THE AREA ARE MOVING FAST. HE IMPLIED THAT SAG WAS
PREPARED TO DISCUSS FUNDING ARRANGEMENTS AS SOON AS WE
WERE READY TO DO SO.
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